DEVELOPMENT FOOD SECURITY ACTIVITIES

Food for the Hungry/ETHIOPIA

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FOOD FOR PEACE CONTRIBUTIONS

FY 2018: \$20.8 million, 14,990 MT Planned FY 2016-2021: \$102.7 million, 100,000 MT

PSNP OVERVIEW

- Since 2005, USAID Office of Food for Peace (FFP) partners in Ethiopia
 have supported the Government of Ethiopia-led Productive Safety Net
 Program (PSNP) to address the basic food needs of approximately 8
 million chronically food-insecure people through the predictable transfer of
 food and cash resources, while supporting the creation of community
 assets that generate economic benefit to the communities as a whole.
- The PSNP IV, being implemented from 2015-2020, aims to transition from food security activities to a social protection system by integrating safety nets, women's empowerment, gender equity, livelihoods support, and nutrition activities under one system.
- Ethiopia continues its efforts to integrate PSNP with emergency feeding
 activities to create a continuum of response—a flexible system that
 ensures chronically and acutely vulnerable households can maintain their
 food security in the face of recurrent shocks.



PARTNER ACTIVITIES

- FFP partner Food for the Hungry (FH) will reach 221,893 people in seven woredas, or districts, in Amhara through a comprehensive social and behavior change communications strategy to facilitate changes among households, communities and local government, and support community asset creation to improve household resilience and reduce risks of food insecurity.
- FH focuses on improving food security by addressing nutrition-sensitive factors, climate change and climate variability, government and community capacity deficits, and inequitable gender norms. FH will promote adoption of appropriate health, nutrition, and water, sanitation, and hygiene practices using care groups that promote positive gender and health norms. FH will increase incomes by diversifying livelihoods, particularly targeting women and youth, increasing high value crop production by supplying high quality seeds and by providing livestock feed to female-headed households and other vulnerable groups.

HIGHLIGHTS

- FH is providing vegetable seed transfers to extremely vulnerable femaleheaded households for them to plant in keyhole gardens. With this support, pregnant and lactating women can grow micro-nutrient rich vegetables to feed their children and themselves to combat malnutrition.
- FH is the only FFP partner providing cash transfers, reaching more than 99,000 people in two woredas. Through the e-payment cash transfer system, beneficiaries will be able to access financial services and open a savings account.



GOAL: Resilience to shocks, enhanced livelihoods, improved food security and nutrition for rural households vulnerable to food insecurity

Purpose 1: Improved resilience of households and communities to shocks

Purpose 2: Increased availability of safe, diverse, nutritious, and high-value foods

Purpose 3: Increased equitable income for men, women, and youth

Purpose 4: Improved nutrition for children under 5, pregnant and lactating women, and women of

reproductive age, including adolescent girls